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THE LAND OF MONANA.

Where Soft Vowels Make a Soft Answer and Turn Away Tasks Until the Morrow. American and Spanish Temperament which Cannot Mix.

NO. 1.  
While nominally in control of Porto Rico which we have to visit on our way to the Danish West Indies, or Virgin Islands as they are now called, the United States has deferred granting citizenship to the Porto Ricans until this year. Therefore with the purchase of the Danish West Indies, and the grant of citizenship to Porto Rico we have gained in the neighborhood of a million and a half citizens at the same time.

Porto Rico is so densely populated that we feel safe in saying that we have gained more citizens in the square mile than in any other part of the country. And what are these citizens?

**A Mixed Race.**

Ask them and they will inform you that they are Porto Rican, that is, if you can talk Spanish. Look at them and you will give them all the way from Indian features up to White Wyandottes. They run the risk of colors from light to dark with all the intervening shades. But when you get down to it you will find as many degrees of color as there are shades. All dark persons are not Africans, and by the same token all light persons are not Caucasians. Four hundred years of time in which the currents and cross currents of humanity have acted and played across the island has naturally produced a much mixed race, in which the Spanish and Indian predominate. In the interior the bulk of the people are pure Spanish descent. Near the coast and in the larger cities there are a great number of negroes. To the casual observer there seems to be no color line, but in social life there is but little mingling.

There are many pure Spanish, and the merchants and many of the larger planters belong to this class. They are born business men and to their thrift and foresight much of the success of the island may be attributed. The Porto Ricans of the poorer class is not encumbered with energy. To-morrow will do as well as today. He is satisfied with existence, and takes the sun and shade of life—mostly down—with a calm philosophy. He will work if necessary, but he prefers not to. He is the thorn in the side of the planter, who must depend upon him to harvest the crop. Labor practices were gray hairs later than any other race.

**A Question of Temperament.**

They will never understand the Americans with all their pride and vanity, nor will the Americans ever understand the Porto Ricans with his modesty, hospitality, and persistence.

The Porto Rican has watched the American invasion.

He has stood still while sixty per cent of the wealth of the island has been absorbed by Americans.

He has watched values go up and up and up, and still he dreams on.

He has seen his friends from a few pennies to six or seven dollars a day,

and he has lost it to get on and ride up with the pretences.

He has seen the jungles give place to rich orchards of guava fruit; the barren lands spring

in life with rich irrigated cane fields;

the average of tobacco and coffee has tripled almost by magic, but it has waited and waited.

He has seen the roads and houses grow day by day—improvement and construction, but he is not stimulated to any way to stimulate his example, and possibly his is the sound philosophy.

Who hasn't? And when he has

waited and still he has not succeeded from his four hundred years.

He has seen ruined houses spring

up all over the island, bridges planked and houses, with nothing about them, yet he has changed his lot not.

To be suddenly awakened and shoved from hundred years ahead to a single day is too much to expect of frost houses not more especially when surrounded by the yellow rays of the tropics. And as the new house looks itself a bad third rate of fare, the Porto Rican

there is more Calcar in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constant failing to agree with the disease, presented it as incurable. Science has proven Calcar to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. The Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional treatment in Calcar from drops to a tea-spoonful. It acts directly on the blood and muscular surfaces of the system. The dose is one dollar a day for any time it fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonials.

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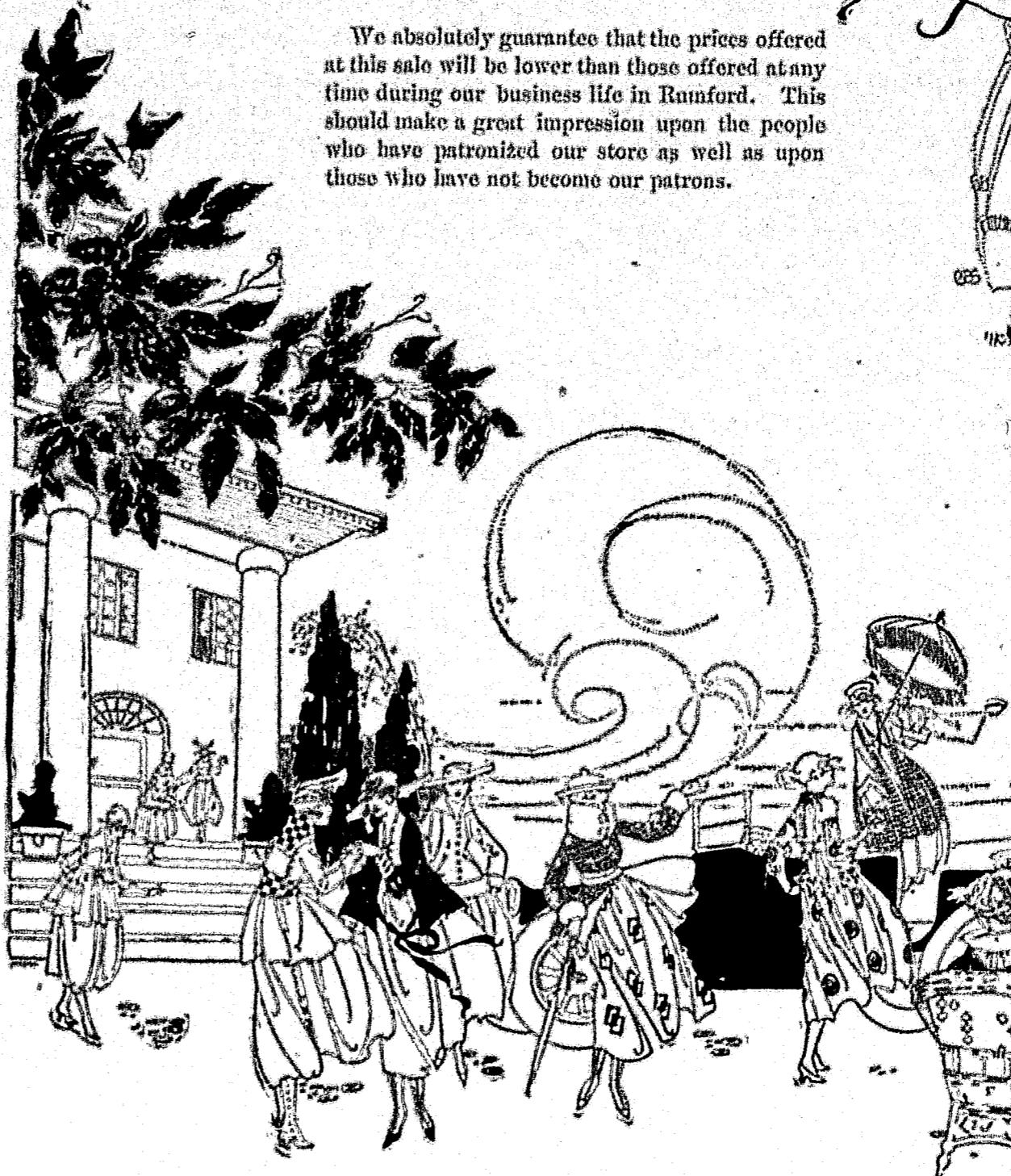
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## NORWAY

Work on the new street is well underway. Several crews are at work, one at excavating, one in replacing waterpipes, also sewer connection. The stone crusher was started on Pike's Hill, Tuesday, and the crushed rock is being hauled to Main street. The concrete mixer will soon be working. Several teams and 15 men are now at work.

Twenty-five Day Schools under the leadership of Head master, Vivian M. Astor, began at the range beyond Norway street, at Collins's spring, Wednesday afternoon, for a drill and music. After the supper Sergeant Lee Williams of Company D gave the boys rudiments of military tactics with the wooden rifles which they are carrying.

About fifty of the high school and ninth grade boys, who are drilling under Sergeant Charles H. Pike, are to receive instruction in the manual of arms. The rifles are a good Springfield substitute, that are lighter in weight than the regulation. The boys are showing much enthusiasm.

The funeral services of George W. Hobbs were held Sunday afternoon at the home on Main street. Rev. Robert J. Morris, pastor of the Congregational

church officiated. A delegation of about forty Masons attended in a body, and conducted their burial service. The bearers were members of the Masonic order, Charles F. Ridder, John F. Knutson, Robert F. Bickford, and Myron W. Parkman. Interment took place in the family lot in Westfield cemetery.

The Sunday school at Norway Center was reorganized recently with the following officers: Superintendent, Mrs. Anna Brown; assistant superintendent, Mrs. Edith Knightley; secretary and treasurer, Harold C. Nyman; organist, Miss Eleanor Brown; librarian, Miss Madeline Nyman; collector, Elmer H. Watson. During the summer the Sunday school will be held at 1:30 o'clock and a preaching service at 2:30.

Miss Mary Draper, teacher of the eighth grade was the recipient of a present Friday evening. The seventh, eighth and ninth grade scholars, numbering about 15 funds her a May basket containing a beautiful Maine green, a green carnation.

Henry R. Gagnon has finished work in the Chardell-Jefferson factory, and has accepted a position at the W. F. Tolles cigar stem factory, where he will work at job filling. He was presented with a Knight of Golden Rule pin and some other gifts from his associates on closing his labors with them.

John G. Shepard of Auburn spent

the week end with his family at their cottage at the lake. Mrs. Shepard plans to remain at the cottage for the remainder of the summer, since the days have become more pleasant.

Miss Tessie Thibodeau spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Sherman Howe, at Falmouth Ferndale.

Miss Alice Penley of West Paris has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Fred E. Smith, last week.

Private Peter Klein of Norway, a member of Co. D, Second Maine Infantry, was struck by a train Saturday night at Biddeford while patrolling a railroad bridge thereon guard. The company had been stationed there for some weeks doing guard duty. Klein was watching a passenger which was passing on an track, and stepped in front of an approaching freight on the other track, which he did not hear. One leg was cut off by the train, and the other was so badly mangled that amputation was necessary. He died at the Webber hospital in Biddeford, Sunday night.

He was 19 years of age, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Klein of Norway, and had been a member of the senior class in Norway High school, and captain of the basketball team. He was of a cheerful, light hearted disposition, the life of the company, and will be sadly missed by his comrades in arms, as well as by relatives and many friends. He is survived by his father and mother, two

brothers and three sisters.

The hop at Orange Hall, Friday evening, given under the auspices of the Red Cross Auxiliary, was attended by about 150 people. Dancing and singing were in order. Kimball's orchestra of six pieces furnished music. The object was to raise money for the work fund and quite a sum will be added. The use of the hall was contributed, which lessened expenses.

A delightful affair of Thursday evening was a dinner and auction party at Cedarbrook Farm, when Mrs. Ernest Hutchins entertained the Auction Club. The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church plan to hold foot sales twice a month during the summer months.

## MUSCLE SORENESS RE-LIEVED.

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### WEST BETHEL

W. A. Farwell has been able to ride over to the village twice the past week.

Maynard and Richard Mills from Gorham, N. H., spent the week end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Mills.

The river drivers are passing along this way, being camped near here.

Ira Bennett went to Norway quite recently and returned with a new horse.

Thurman Shlelinger has moved from the flat road to Mayville.

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## BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mrs. A. E. Herrick was in Portland the first of the week.

Mrs. Mildred Bosselman was in Portland last day last week.

Mrs. Hazel Douglass was in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mrs. Mona Martyn was in Portland, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. French from Newry Corner were in town, Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Young and Donald have returned from Norway.

Mrs. Nellie Phillips of Milin, N. H., is a guest of Mr. F. L. Edwards and family.

Mrs. E. L. Arno was called to Milin, N. H., last week by the death of her mother.

Mrs. Frank Bartlett was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Perkins, at South Paris last week.

Mr. Howard Tyler was in Norway last Thursday to take the examination for Co. D.

Mr. Harry Sawin and son, Glyndon, were Sunday guests of relatives at No. Waterford.

Mrs. Webb Grover and family have moved onto the Moses Grover farm on Robinson hill.

Mrs. Alice Willis, who has been spending the winter in Portland, has returned home.

Mrs. Clyde Lowe and little daughter were week end guests of relatives at Bryant's Pond.

Mrs. Ella Whitcomb has returned to Bethel and is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lawrence Lavergne.

Mr. Winfield Wight of Bowdoin was the guest of Dr. J. H. Wight and family last Thursday.

Mrs. Hazel Arno arrived in Bethel last Thursday and is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. L. Arno.

Mrs. George Haapponen went to Massachusetts, Saturday, to spend several weeks with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Norman Sauborn are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter born Thursday, May 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Inman were in Portland, Sunday, to visit their son, Walter, who is gaining rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt of No. Waterford were week end guests of their daughter, Mrs. L. W. Russell, and family.

Mrs. C. L. Davis went to Portland, Tuesday, and was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Wormell, and family.

Miss Eleanor Bartlett of East Stoneham, Mich., was spending a few days with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Russell.

Arthur Buxton and family and Miss Amelia Greer left Tuesday morning for Skowhegan, where they are to make their future home.

The Selectmen have appointed Hiram H. Hastings as Treasurer of the Town of Bethel to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. N. P. Brown.

Mrs. D. H. Spearin, who has been visiting relatives in West Paris, returned home, Sunday. Mr. Spearin went down to accompany her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis attended the Sunday School Convention at No. Paris, Tuesday, and from there went to Auburn to visit Dr. Baker and family.

Rev. Mr. Little will preach the Memorial service for E. P. Carpenter Post, G. H. R., in Falmouth, Mass., next Sunday and in the evening will supply the pulpit in the Universalist Church, Falmouth, where he was ordained in 1856 his first settlement.

Mr. Little was called to Albany last Friday to attend the funeral of Ulysses H. Ross. Saturday he attended the funeral of David F. Abbott at West Bethel. Mr. Abbott was a veteran of the Civil War, lost under Gen. Sherman, and wounded in the service, and received his discharge as a result of the wound. For the last year he suffered severely from a cancer in his foot, which was the cause of his death. Before he fought Ross's battle till he was called to answer the roll call on the blessed camping ground.

George Knobell was in town, Sunday, buying real estate and hotel out fit.

Instead of merging a new to reform the average woman worries him to inform him.

Mrs. Mary Allen spent the week end in Portland.

Mr. Remick has joined his family at Mr. E. Barker's.

Leslie Coburn visited his parents the last of the week.

Gard Goddard is now stationed at Fort Ethan Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Robinson were in Yarmouth, Tuesday.

Miss Minnie and Alice Capen were in Lewiston, Tuesday.

Miss Elvira Holt was the guest of Mrs. Harriet Herrick at Locke's Mills, Sunday.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Horace Andrews, Tuesday afternoon, May 29th.

Mrs. H. H. Hastings and Miss Mildred Bosselman were in Lewiston, Tuesday, shopping.

Miss Muriel Bunting of Yarmouth is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Chandler of Auburn were guests of Mrs. Chandler's parents, Sunday.

Mrs. Mina Harriman has returned from South Paris and opened her house on Summer street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnol Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Remick visited with relatives in Norway, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stearns and family from Albion were calling at John Philbrook's, Sunday.

Memorial Day Mr. Little will give the address at Bowdoinham for Thomas T. Rideout Post, 26, G. A. R.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hazelton from North Waterford visited Mrs. Lizzie Morse at P. P. Hastings', Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Derrington and son, Walter, of Portland are guests of her sister, Mrs. P. E. Purrington.

Mrs. Harlan Wheeler of Gilford was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven and Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Thurston motored to Portland one day last week.

Mrs. C. W. Hall and Miss Harriet Merrill are attending the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star at Portland.

Mrs. Zenna Mills from Mason visited her sister, Mrs. E. H. Smith, Monday, and attended the Rebekah district meeting.

Mr. J. Anthony Brown of Grand Rapids, Mich., was called to Bethel last week by the death of his brother, N. P. Brown.

Mrs. John A. Chapman came down from Gorham, N. H., Tuesday morning for a visit. Mrs. Percy Chapman accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Wiles of Norway called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lowe, Monday, and attended the District Meeting of the Rebekahs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Strelakian, Mrs. J. J. Merrill and Mr. and Mrs. Edwards of South Paris called on Rev. Mr. Little and Mrs. Barbak, Monday.

Mrs. H. R. Tibbetts and daughter, Mary, were in Falmouth, Saturday, to see Dr. Tibbetts, who accompanied them home to spend the week end.

Mrs. W. T. Ashby of Carlton, Me., arrived Tuesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. R. R. Tibbetts, and attend the graduation of her daughter, Miss Ruby Ashby.

Mr. Edward Tibbetts will entertain the Western Club, Wednesday afternoon and evening. A basket-bowl supper will be served; the gentlemen are invited to be present.

ALBANY.  
A. H. Clark of Belote's Mill, called on friends at Hunt's Corner, Friday. Will Grover leased a large tract of land from Tom Belote for H. I. Ross, recently.

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Emile Fournier has purchased a fine new Hudson touring car.

Joseph Marcus has purchased a new Buick auto.

Romeo Coulombe has enlisted in the 63rd Battalion, Canadian army, at London, Ontario.

There is to be a comedy farce entitled, "The Doctor," presented by local talent for the benefit of the Red Cross Society. The date will be announced later.

Lodie Richards is in town, called home by the death of her uncle. She will remain for some time, having secured employment in the Oxford enter-

tainment room.

Miss Rosie Negrini, who has been employed as a maid at the McCarty Hospital, has accepted a position in the cutter room of the Oxford mill.

Mrs. Sweet, who has been employed as operator in the Continental Bag mill for the past few years, has accepted a position with the Rumford Falls Lingerie and Water Company, where he began his duties last week.

Miss Lila Dolano and little son of Portland are the guests of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Grace Johnson.

Peter Melanson has purchased a new Chalmers touring car.

The bank where the extension to Congress street was made, is being cut down, making a great improvement to the street.

Miss Beatrice Givens has completed her duties for the C. H. McKenzie Mercantile Co., and Miss Lila Chamberlain has succeeded her as cashier.

Alphonse Dupill of Berlin, N. H., is visiting his cousin, Miss Clara Dupill, of Falmouth street.

Rumford and Mexico will have a safe and sane Fourth of July this year, for the selection of both towns have given notice that no license for the sale of fireworks of any description will be granted.

Miss Edna G. Lord will substitute for Miss Susan Jewett as librarian at the public library, while Miss Jewett spends her vacation at her former home in Portsmouth, N. H.

The friends of Harold Chandler will be interested to learn that he recently enlisted, and is on duty in Massachusetts. Mr. Chandler was formerly a clerk in the Rumford National Bank, but for the past year has held a like position in the Winthrop bank.

Very soon a large flag will be flying over the mill of the Fort Hill Chemical Company on Railroad street, as a staff has been placed.

J. J. Goodine has started a restaurant in the small building on Canal street, recently vacated by Will Freeman the painter. Rex Leek is the cook.

Mrs. Carl Ellis has gone to Ottawa, Canada, to join her husband who has employment there. Jack Rennie is occupying the rent vacated by Mrs. Ellis.

A. B. Spencer, who has been very ill at his home in the Virginia District, has been taken to the McCarty Hospital for treatment.

E. F. Bartlett is to engage in farming on a large scale on his farm at Rumford Centre. He will have a very large acreage of sweet corn, and will also raise a large crop of all kinds of vegetables. Mr. Bartlett's brother will have charge of the work.

Freemont Coolidge has taken over the plumbing business of Stanley Bixbee.

Mrs. F. E. Foshey and daughter are spending a couple of weeks with relatives in Boston.

The family of George Boston has gone to New London, Conn., where Mr. Boston has been for some time. Mr. Boston is taking medical treatment at a hospital there, and his family will stay there this summer.

The little pupils of Miss Rollins' room at the Blisbee school are very proud of their new flag, which was purchased with money obtained by selling patriotic buttons. The flag is a handsome one made of silk. Each room in the building now possesses a flag, but Miss Rollins' class is the only one that has a silk one.

Mrs. Pete Dority and children have arrived in town from Prince Edward Island, Mr. Dority having been in Rumford for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McKenna of Hazenock are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

Mr. Deborah Knox Livingstone, one of the women of whom Maine is justly proud, is coming to Rumford under the auspices of the local equal suffrage league, to address a public suffrage meeting on May 28th. The meeting will be held in the Methodist church.

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on Franklin street, and there will be no admission charge.

The ball field of the Oxford Athletic Association has been ploughed and prepared for planting, at the expense of the Oxford Paper Company. The men employees of the mill will be allotted sections. As there is not enough land to meet the demands of the men, Hugh J. Chisholm, the president of the Rumford Falls Power Company, has sold this well known farm to the American Realty Company, who have secured it because of its large acreage of timber. It is planned to carry the farm on, on a large scale, the produce to be used by the Company.

Mrs. P. E. McCarthy, who has been quite seriously ill, does not seem to gain very rapidly as yet.

Miss Hattie Varney is spending two weeks at her home in Turner.

Dr. H. A. Moody is driving a new Chevrolet runabout.

Henry Woods of the Virginian District has bought the Peters place on Virgin street. Mr. Peters, who lost his wife some time ago, has gone to Canada.

Mr. Hill, a government inspector, who has been in Rumford since the start of the new post office building, is now transferred to Portland on the new detention barracks being built by the government at the quarantine station on House Island, and another man has been sent to Rumford to be inspector on the post office, as well as on the government building that is being done at Berlin, N. H. Mr. Hill's family will remain in town until the close of the schools, before joining Mr. Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleon S. Osgood of Franklin street spent the week end at their camp at South Rangeley, upping it for the summer season.

A very interesting meeting of Puritan Reheka Lodge was held on Friday evening last, six members being initiated, and the annual roll call being held. Refreshments were served.

Twenty-seven members have been initiated in the past year, the membership now being 301. The District Meeting will be held with Wolestone Lodge of Dixfield on Wednesday evening of this week.

One candidate was initiated in Ozaukee Temple last Thursday evening.

The committee on refreshments furnished apple pie, cheese, doughnuts and coffee.

On Monday morning of this week occurred the wedding of Miss Alice lace, a Rumford nurse, and Mr. Adolph Orino, a clerk in Orino's Congress street fruit store. They left after the ceremony for a short wedding trip.

On Friday evening last, at about six o'clock, occurred the death of Mr. Charles Morse of Rumford Centre. Mr. Morse has been in poor health for some time past, suffering with Bright's disease and leakage of the heart. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon from his late residence. He leaves besides his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Fred Coffin, who lives just above Rumford Centre, and a brother, James S. Morse of Rumford.

Arthur Bedard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luder Bedard of Urquhart street, has purchased a fine building lot on Penobscot street near the high school building, and it is understood that he contemplates building on it soon.

Miss Esther Shepherd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Shepherd of Portland, but formerly of this town, is in town, and is acting as ticket agent at the Maine Central railroad station for a part of the summer. She will be located at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Walker of Rumford ave.

Arthur Currier was the guest of honor at a very pleasant little surprise in the Universalist parlor on Thursday evening of last week. It being Mr. Currier's birthday, some of his friends planned a little social gathering with supper at 6 P. M., some thirty or more guests being present. The rooms were darkened, and tables lighted with candles. A fine large birthday cake was presented, lighted by tiny candles. Mr. Currier did a very scientific job in cutting the cake so that each guest should have a taste. The Rev. Allen Brown on behalf of Mr. Currier's church friends then presented him with a very fine library lamp which was accepted with much pleasure by Mr. Currier, who expects soon to bring a bride to Rumford.

Captain Spaulding Bishop of Co. B, Maine National Guards, made a hurried trip by auto to Rumford from Portland Saturday last, returning in the late P. M. Captain Bishop and aids were looking for deserters. It being understood that four men of Company B have taken French leave, for which they will be sorry later.

The newly elected officers of the Parent-Teachers' Association for the coming year are: Mrs. M. P. Abbott, president; Mrs. Frank Reid, vice presi-

dent; Mrs. Austin T. Hyde, secretary;

Mrs. William Sinclair, treasurer.

Mrs. Harriette Wheat has been elected sentinel of the Past Ohio's Association of the Pythian Sisterhood.

Mrs. Alice Martin has been admitted to the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston for treatment.

James J. McKeage has recently sold a lot of land at Mexico to Aitken Campbell of that town.

The engagement of Miss Ruth Doughty of Portland to Mr. George Eddy Merrifield of Stowham, Mass., is announced. Miss Doughty was a former teacher in the Rumford schools, and a member of the Duplex Club of St. Barnabas Episcopal church. Since leaving Rumford about a year ago, she has been located in Stowham, Mass., as a teacher.

Anson C. Hayford, well known in Rumford, where he was formerly located, and who has during the winter acted as clerk for the American Realty Company at Quossoe, is now at Kennebago, where he is building a storehouse for the Company for use during their Stetson Townships operations.

Jeff Thomas of Rumford, who has several seasons past been living at Houghton on the John Houghton farm, has sold this well known farm to the American Realty Company, who have secured it because of its large acreage of timber. It is planned to carry the farm on, on a large scale, the produce to be used by the Company.

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LOCKE'S MILLS.  
Mrs. C. H. Tolbert and daughter,  
Gretchen, visited with Mrs. E. L. Tolbert  
at Achens Friday.

Mrs. Bella Chase of Portland is home  
on a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Brewster and  
friends from Lewiston were Sunday  
guests of Mrs. Brewster's brother, W.  
D. Hart, and family.

Mrs. Charles Evans attended the  
funeral of N. P. Brown at Bethel,  
last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parington and  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carrington were  
visitors at Mr. and Mrs. James Ring's  
at Bryant's Pond, Sunday.

W. W. Postlethwait, Allen Ames and  
Gates have purchased auto.

E. H. Cushing of Castine was a Sunday  
guest of W. H. Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Gallick of  
Bethel visited with relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Eliza Doudoune entertained  
company from Norway, Sunday.

Doris Cross has gone to Michigan,  
where he has employment.

Mrs. Mary Battell and Mrs. W. H.  
Crockett attended church at Bryant's  
Pond, Saturday.

**NEWRY.**

There was a sugar party and dance  
at the Garage Hall last Friday. There  
was a large attendance and a good  
time.

The remains of David Abbott were  
brought to the Powers cemetery last  
Saturday for burial. Mr. Abbott has  
lived in poor health for some time, and  
had made his home with his daughter,  
Mrs. John Edge, at Northwest Bethel.

H. H. Powers sold his big farm to  
Frank W. Johnson of Sunday River.

**WEST PERU.**

Mrs. H. L. Fisher has been very sick  
with heart trouble for several days.

E. W. Shumate, Oscar Gossman and  
A. D. Taylor are working on the High  
Bank.

Mrs. H. L. Fisher and son were  
guests at W. W. Tracy's last Saturday.

Mrs. Lillian Grindley is visiting with  
her son after spending the past two  
months in W. H. Knott's in Neway  
Maine.

**BON'T LET YOUR LAUGH HANG ON.**

A laugh that starts and weakens a  
desperado. It undermines your health  
and drives you to neglect. Believe it or  
not with Dr. King's New Discovery  
this condition becomes instantly healthy  
again, because the physician, his antidote  
to desperation kills the gout and the  
cold is quickly banished up. "Children  
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your medicine chest for grippe, cough  
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## POEMS WORTH READING

AMERICA TO THE MOTHER.  
By Laura Sheldon.  
If the bugles blare on the Springtime  
air  
And the guns start booming hoarsely;  
If the big bombs break and the build-  
ings shake  
And the tramp, tramp, tramp grows  
steadily

Will you come to me that my eyes may  
see  
The patriot fire in the souls you bear  
Will you charm my ears with your  
loyal cheers  
And glad my eyes with the smiles  
you wear?

Would I might know that each moth-  
er's woe  
Her grief at war, was a bygone  
tragedy  
Would I might see, in her loyalty,  
That her haunting sorrow had taken  
wing!

For when warfare's wage—when the  
steel fires rage,  
'Tis a woman's heart that must feel  
the flame!  
As a mother gives, so a soldier lives—  
She may bliss with valor or curse  
with shame!

If the bugles blow, would I might  
know  
That no coward fear will I ever see!  
With my steadfast will my own veins  
would thrill!

And might could bind our victory,

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WE TALK OF THE FLAG.

"Tell me about the flag," he said,  
As I was putting him to bed.  
"And why men wear their hats and  
chairs

Whenever it is drawing near?"  
And so we stopped undressing then  
To talk about the time when men  
Were facing cannon shot and shell  
To serve the flag we love so well.

I told him of the men who died  
In frozen wood and country-side  
Long, years ago in battle grim  
To keep a flag like that for him.

I told him all about the stars,

The spotless white and crimson bars,  
And what they dreamed of and they  
sought

As bitterly they bled and fought.

"Let no one tell you as you grow

That nothing to the flag you owe,  
Let no one whisper that it means

Not pleasant days and peaceful scenes,  
And merely calls to mind a land

Where wealth abounds on every hand,  
Because no more that flag will fly

When men for it refuse to die.

"And it may be," said I, "that you

Must some day serve that banner too,  
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## THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

J. E. Jones.

## RAILROAD WAR ORGANIZATION.

One of the most remarkable features of the war organization concerns the manner in which the railroads have placed their entire facilities at the disposal of the government. Daniel Willard, President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, is an appointee of President Wilson on the Advisory Committee of the Council of National Defense. In that connection Mr. Willard is in direct touch and fully conversant with every policy of the government that concerns the war. The American Railway Association has organized a Special Committee on National Defense, and at a word from President Willard the entire railway facilities of the United States can be put into action for military purposes. The railroads have agreed to fully cooperate with the military authorities in meeting any emergency. Mr. Willard called nearly fifty leading railway executives to Washington and explained to them the conditions they would be called upon to face in connection with the participation of the United States in war, superimposed upon the heavy increases in traffic that has already been placed upon them; and the railway men grasped the opportunity for service in a big way. The roads pledged themselves to coordinate their operations in a continental railway system merging their individual and competitive energies in the effort to produce a maximum of national transportation efficiency. It is within the power of the executive committee, which was formed by the railroad presidents, to order the discontinuance of duplicated competitive services, prescribe the distribution of the new and present power and equipment in accordance with the most pressing requirements, or to even set aside certain lines for particular kinds of service.

On a few hours notice the entire railroads of the country may be merged as one system, and under the direction of one authority, to the extent that may be necessary or expedient, just as if there were no separate organizations. The present arrangements provide for an executive committee of the railroads, and for departments for the different sections of the country. There are other committees covering important matters like car service, military equipment standards, military transportation, military passenger tariffs, and military freight traffic. General agents to look after transportation and marketing have been named from every section of the country. It is doubtful whether any plan or organization could have been worked out more carefully.

## ARBOR DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 25.

Governor Milliken Friday issued a proclamation designating Friday, May 25, as Arbor Day.

## STATE OF MAINE.

By the Governor.

## A PROCLAMATION.

In our rigorous climate the familiar miracle of springtime is always an impressive token of the beneficence of Almighty God. This year the war-worn and devastated world must realize as never before the importance of seed time and harvest. The cruel and appalling waste of conflict can only be repaired out of the bounties of the fruitful soil.

UNCLE SAM'S SPILLION.

In his speech in the House with reference to the emergency land issue Congressman Tower of Iowa, said that the members had often over days spent upon appropriations of only a few hundred dollars, but in disposing of \$7,000,000, the amount was forced over to an offset of the first bracket, to whom Congress said, in substance: "Spend this as you like, we do not want to be bothered further about it."

"I have heard, as we all have heard, many statements with particular force the duty of Congress to carefully guard the interests of the people who went out and pay every dollar we have spent," continued Judge Tower, "but as far as I can see, with only one exception and without mitigation, we disposed of a sum equal to three times the total ordinary annual expenses of the Government and more than three times the amount of our entire defense."

"We have been told time and again that disgruntled and envious men in Congress "compromised" appropriations by which heads of departments were compelled to spend a few thousand dollars apiece, or something, yet here we go to our Uncle Sam's hands the long and now over committed to be honored to all the wealth of this, and tell him to do as much as he pleases."

And that is the way the game plays this last chapter. Very flat, indeed. But what is that passage which makes the soul shiver and pierce the heart?

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## DRAFT PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Whereas, Congress has enacted and the President has on the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, approved a law, which contains the following provisions:

Section 5. That all male persons between the ages of twenty-one and thirty, both inclusive, shall be subject to registration in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the President and upon proclamation by the President or other public notice given by him or by his direction stating the time and place of such registration, it shall be the duty of all persons of the designated ages, except officers and enlisted men of the regular army, the navy, and the National Guard and Naval Militia while in the service of the United States, to present themselves for and submit to registration under the provisions of this act; and every such person shall be deemed to have notice of the requirements of this act upon the publication of said proclamation or other notice as aforesaid given by the President or by his direction; and any person who shall wilfully fail or refuse to present himself for registration or to submit thereto as herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction in the District Court of the United States having jurisdiction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year, and shall thereupon be duly registered; provided, that in the call of the dockets precedence shall be given, in courts trying the same, to the trial of criminal proceedings under this act; provided, further, that persons shall be subject to registration as herein provided who shall have attained their twenty-first birthday and who shall not have attained their thirty-first birthday on or before the day set for the registration, and all persons so registered shall be and remain subject to draft into the forces hereby authorized, unless exempted or excused therefrom as in this act provided: Provided further, that in the case of temporary absence from actual place of legal residence of any person liable to registration as provided herein, such registration may be made by mail under regulations to be prescribed by the President.

## Heavy Penalties for Falsification or Failure.

Section 6. That the President is hereby authorized to utilize the service of any or all departments and any or all officers or agents of the United States and of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia, and subdivisions thereof, in the execution of this act, and all officers and agents of the United States and of the several States, Territories and subdivisions thereof, and of the District of Columbia, and all persons designated or appointed under regulations prescribed by the President whether such appointments are made by the President himself or by the governors or some other officer of any State or Territory, to perform any duty in the execution of this act, and hereby required to perform such duty as the President shall order or direct, and all such officers and agents and persons so designated or appointed shall hereby have full authority for all acts done by them in the execution of this act by the direction of the President. Correspondence in the execution of this act may be carried in penalty envelope bearing the frank of the War Department. Any person charged as herein provided with the duty of carrying into effect any of the provisions of this act or the regulations made or directions given thereunder who shall fail or neglect to perform such duty; and any person charged with such duty or neglect or appointed shall hereby have a private purpose. All must pursue one purpose. The nation need not be in the field that will be the most pleasure to him, but in the endeavor that will best serve the common good. Thus, through a sharpshooter, please to operate a tripod hammer for the forging of great guns, and an expert machinist dares to march with the flag, the nation is being served only when the sharpshooter marches and the machinist remains at his lever. The whole nation must be a team in which each man shall play the part for which he is best fitted. To this end, Congress has provided that the nation shall be organized for war by selection and that each man shall be classified for service in the place to which it shall best serve the general good to call him.

## Time for Our Talk.

The significance of this cannot be overstated. It is a new thing in history and a landmark in our progress. It is a new manner of accepting and utilizing our duty to give ourselves with thoughtful devotion to the common purpose of us all. It is in as sense a continuation of the unwilling; it is rather, selection from a nation which has volunteered its mass. It is no mere a choosing of those who shall march with the colors that it is selection of those who shall serve as equally necessary and devoted purpose in the industries that lie behind the battle lines.

The day here named is the time upon which all shall present themselves for assignment to their tasks. It is for that reason declined to be remembered as one of the most conspicuous anniversaries in our history. It is nothing less than the day upon which the masses of the country shall step forward in our solid ranks in defense of the ideals to which this nation is committed. It is important to these ideals as

counties and municipalities therein to perform certain duties in the execution of the foregoing law, which duties will be communicated to them directly in regulations or even date herewith.

## June 5th Registration Day.

And I do further proclaim and give notice to all persons subject to registration in the several States and in the District of Columbia, in accordance with the above law that the date and place of such registration shall be between 7 A. M. and 9 P. M., on the fifth day of June, 1917, at the registration place in the precinct wherein they have their permanent homes. Those who shall have attained their twenty-first birthday and who shall not have attained their thirty-first birthday on or before the day here named are required to register, excepting only officers and enlisted men of the Regular Army, the Navy, and the National Guard and Naval Militia while in the service of the United States, and officers in the Officers' Reserve Corps and enlisted men in the enlisted Reserve Corps while in active service, in the territories of Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico a day for registration will be named in a later proclamation.

By the President.

Robert Lansing,

Secretary of State.

less than to the pride of this generation in manifesting its devotion to them, that there be no gaps in the ranks.

It is essential that the day be approached in thoughtful apprehension of its significance and that we accord to it the honor and the meaning that it deserves. Our industrial needs prescribe that it be not made a technical holiday, but the stern sacrifice that is before us, urges that it be carried in all our hearts as a great day of patriotic devotion and obligation when the duty shall fall upon every man, whether he is himself to be registered or not to go to the name of every male person of the designated ages is written on these lists of honor.

In witness, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 18th day of May in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and forty-first.

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## PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court at Paris in

execution and for the County of Oxford on the twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all

persons interested by causing a copy

of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Oxford.

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by the manager of the combined tele-

phone lines to take charge of the pay

station at the central office.

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there each week in the hotel hall.

Robert B. Taylor, who died Sunday

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that town. For many years he had

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78 years of age and a veteran of the

Civil War, serving in the 23rd Maine

under Col. Wm. Wirt Virgin.

His nearest relative living is Harry Arnold of Winthrop, Maine. The funeral was held on Tuesday, attended by Rev. Chester Gore Miller of South Paris.

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Ralph M. Bacon's, May 20.

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May 21, a chewink was seen.

Mrs. Elvira Whitman has been on

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## BRYANT'S POND.

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